

IV. LAND USE ISSUES, BACKGROUND, POLICIES, AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

A. Introduction

Statements of local policy on land use issues which will affect Kill Devil Hills during the next five years follow. The issues have been grouped under five general headings:

- ! resource protection issues;
- ! resource production and management issues;
- ! economic and community development issues;
- ! public education and citizen participation; and,
- ! natural hazards planning.

Following the guidelines set forth in Subchapter 7B-Land Use Planning Guidelines of the North Carolina Administrative Code, (03/06/96), the Town considered various policy alternatives and implementation strategies before selecting the several policies that follow.

The Town considers the following issues regarding resource protection not applicable or relevant at this time and they will not be addressed in this Update:

- ! Outstanding Resources Waters (ORW) Areas;
- ! Shellfishing waters; and,
- ! Manmade Hazards.

The Town considers the following issues regarding resource management not applicable or relevant at this time and they will not be addressed in this Update:

- ! Productive Agricultural Lands;
- ! Commercial Forest Lands;
- ! Impact of Development on Any Resource; and,
- ! Impact of Peat or Phosphate Mining on Any Resource.

Similarly, the following economic and community development issues are not considered applicable or relevant at this time and they will not be addressed in this Update:

- ! Landfill Siting;
- ! Port Facilities; and,
- ! Military Facilities.

In addition to numerous workshops and meetings devoted to review of land use issues, Town policies, and implementation strategies, the Town distributed a public opinion survey in July 1997. Of the 7,000